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IN THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Please amend claims 30, 33, 80 and 85.

Please cancel claims 1-29 and 36-79 without prejudice.

STATUS OF CLAIMS

Claims 1-29 (canceled)

An isolated polypeptide comprising SEQ ID NO:2 Claim 30 (currently amended) or a fragment thereof of SEQ ID NO:2, wherein said polypeptide comprises an epitope specific to SEQ ID NO: 2.

Claim 31 (original) The polypeptide of claim 30 wherein said polypeptide comprises a sequence of SEQ ID NO:2.

Claim 32 (previously presented) The polypeptide of claim 33 wherein said polypeptide comprises an amino acid sequence with at least 95% sequence identity to a sequence of SEQ ID NO:2.

Claim 33 (currently amended) An isolated polypeptide comprising an amino acid sequence with at least 80% homologous sequence identity to SEQ ID NO: 2.

Claim 34 (canceled)

A composition comprising a polypeptide of claim Claim 35 (previously presented) 30 and an acceptable carrier or diluent.

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Claims 36-79 (canceled)

Claim 80 (currently amended) The polypeptide of claim 33 wherein said wherein said amino acid sequence is has at least 90% homologous sequence identity to SEQ ID NO:2.

Claim 81 (previously presented) The isolated polypeptide of claim 33, wherein said polypeptide is a seven transmembrane receptor.

Claim 82 (previously presented) The isolated polypeptide of claim 81, wherein said seven transmembrane receptor is a G-protein coupled receptor.

Claim 83 (previously presented) The isolated polypeptide of claim 30 wherein said fragment comprises at least 5 amino acids.

Claim 84 (previously presented) The isolated polypeptide of claim 30 wherein said fragment comprises at least 20 amino acids.

Claim 85 (currently amended) A purified and isolated polypeptide encoded by a polynucleotide comprising a nucleotide sequence wherein said polynucleotide hybridizes to the nucleotide sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO: 1 or the noncoding strand complementary thereto, under stringent the following hybridization conditions:

a) hybridization for 16 hours at 42°C in a hybridization solution comprising 50% formamide, 1% SDS, 1 M NaC1, 10% dextran sulfate and

(b) washing 2 times for 30 minutes at 60°C in a wash solution comprising 0.1x SSC and 1% SDS;

with the provision that the polynucleotide comprises a nucleotide sequence that differs from the sequence set forth as SEQ ID NO: 1 and from its complementary strand by at least one nucleotide.

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Claim 86 (previously presented) The polypeptide of claim 85, wherein said polypeptide is a seven transmembrane receptor.

Claim 87 (previously presented) The polypeptide of claim 86, wherein said seven transmembrane receptor is a G-protein coupled receptor.